

## **□ Lieutenant Governor John Garamendi Issues Statement Commemorating Martin Luther King Jr. Day**

Sacramento- Lieutenant Governor John Garamendi issued the following statement today to commemorate Martin Luther King Jr. Day:

“Today we celebrate the life of a hero, a man who moved a nation to embrace the ideals of freedom, opportunity, and justice.

“Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. brought the struggle for segregation and civil rights to the forefront of America’s conscience. His dreams, impassioned words and above all his fearless actions ennobled a world. Dr. King’s message of hope, harmony and nonviolence and his vision for a better future and a more just society inspired hope and fueled change.

“Dr. King had an unwavering belief of possibility for the future; a future anchored in dignity and mutual respect amongst all people. His message of hope, light and social justice spoke deeply to the heart of a nation and continues to resonate today.

“Today, in commemorating Dr. King we are bound to not only remember the work that has been done, but to continue on the path for equality and dignity through tools of peace and shared sacrifice. Let us use this day both as a reminder of everything we have achieved, and as a stepping stone to accomplishing all that we are capable of.”

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